

## UNION COUNTY WEED CONTROL DEPARTMENT

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## Forest Supervisor Tom Montoya,

The Union County Weed Control Department and the Union County Weed Board would like to extend our support for the addition of Aminopyralid to the list of approved herbicides available in the Wallowa-Whitman Forest Plan. Aminopyralid is one of the many tools that we recommend to landowners as part of their noxious weed control program, particularly for the treatment of thistles, knapweeds, rush skeletonweed.

The addition of Aminopyralid will help to provide another safe and effective tool for treating many of our noxious weeds in Union County. For many of our residents, the noxious weeds treatment efforts on federal lands directly affect the adjoining private lands. For cooperative treatment efforts of noxious weeds in Union County, we need to have access to all the same tools and work together.

We would like to thank the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest for their hard work in updating the invasive plant management program to approve a total of 10 herbicide active ingredients. Working together with all the landowners in Union County will help to protect the natural resources that our community relies on for future generations.

Thank you,

Brian Clapp, Union County Weed Supervisor